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The Examiner will note that English language counterparts or Abstracts of non-English language references are also enclosed, as follows:

DE 38 35 507 A1

Abstract provided.

DE 101 20 148 A1

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DE 199 39 075 A1

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Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted

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